

## **AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

### **Claims 1-11 (Cancelled)**

- 12.(New)      A suspension structure for use in a model vehicle, comprising:
- a bar-like member having torsional elasticity;
  - a securing section that secures one end of said bar-like member to a vehicle body of said model vehicle;
  - a pivot shaft attached to the other end of said bar-like member;
  - a swing arm attached at a proximal end thereof to said pivot shaft; and
  - a wheel attached to a distal end of said swing arm.
- 13.(New)      A suspension structure according to claim 12, wherein a first annular section is formed at one end of said bar-like member, said securing section being a projection section projecting from said vehicle body, said first annular section being fitted to said projection section, thereby securing the one end of said bar-like member to said vehicle body.
- 14.(New)      A suspension structure according to claim 12, wherein said pivot shaft has a slit into which the other end of said bar-like member is inserted.
- 15.(New)      A suspension structure according to claim 14, wherein said bar-like member has at the other end thereof a second annular section that is inserted into said slit.

- 16.(New) A suspension structure according to claim 15, further comprising:  
a securing ring that prevents said second annular section inserted into said slit from falling out of said slit.
- 17.(New) A suspension structure according to claim 16, wherein said pivot shaft has a projection that prevents said securing ring from falling off a distal end of said pivot shaft.
- 18.(New) A suspension structure according to claim 16, further comprising:  
a securing ring retainer that slidably supports said securing ring with respect to said vehicle body.
- 19.(New) A suspension structure according to claim 18, wherein said securing ring retainer has a curved surface that abuts against said securing ring.
- 20.(New) A suspension structure according to claim 16, further comprising;  
a restraining section that restrains said securing ring from moving axially of said pivot shaft.
- 21.(New) A model vehicle having said suspension structure according to claim 12.

22.(New) A model vehicle according to claim 21, having said suspension structure for a right wheel and said suspension structure for a left wheel, wherein said suspension structure for a right wheel and said suspension structure for a left wheel are disposed alternately.